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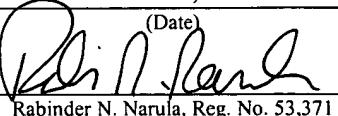
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Filed : May 31, 2001
For : VARIABLE VALVE TIMING
STRUCTURE FOR
OUTBOARD MOTOR
ENGINE
Examiner : Corrigan, Jaime W.
Art Unit : 3748

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Sir:

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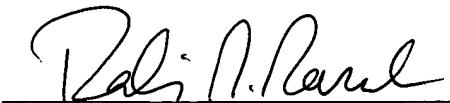
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RESPONSE

United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and comments in connection with the above-captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.